

# Columbia Basin Collaborative

**Vision of Oregon, Washington, Montana and Idaho  
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## Columbia Basin Partnership Task Force

**Path forward:** Create inclusive collaboration to develop actions to reach goals

- Call to action to address fish declines urgently; embracing a salmon ethic, strong leadership and collaboration
- Address complex social/cultural/economic/ecological factors necessary for bold actions
- Integrate strategies and actions across management entities
- Key message: Science plus accountability delivers healthy ecosystem and vibrant quality of life



## Four State Agreement



- Signed by WA, OR, ID, MT governors October 2020
- Acknowledges roles of Tribes, Stakeholders, and Federal Government
- Advances the CBP (Columbia Basin Partnership) qualitative and quantitative goals
- Commitment to establish a collaborative framework to advance goals
  - Holistic regional context to explore short and long-term opportunities
  - Broad-based participation
  - Accountable, transparent, science-based
  - Uphold tribal rights
  - Support fisheries and river-dependent economies
  - Support state clean energy goals and an efficient, reliable and affordable energy system

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## Letters to Governors

June 23, 2020: Letter from a group of utilities, ports and NGOs encouraging state leadership to:

- Support development of comprehensive solution that recovers salmon and moves everyone forward together;
- Maintain their commitment to a collaborative process;
- Support dialogue among key stakeholders;
- Identify ways state government can help address problems and obstacles; and
- Encourage the support and engagement of congressional delegation.

Fall 2020 letters

- October 26, 2020: Letter from 28 environmental and fishery NGOs
- December 17, 2020: Letter from 18 environmental, fishery and clean energy NGOs
- December 23, 2020: Letter from 10 Northwest Utility General Managers

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## Guiding Principles

Regional Scope

Focused on outcomes

Nimble and opportunistic

Effective

Inclusive

Knowledgeable

Timely

### A regional approach to achieving the Columbia Basin Partnership goals



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## *Moving Forward*

The States of Idaho, Washington, Oregon and Montana, through their ad hoc convening group and in collaboration with federal, tribal and stakeholder partners, will:

- Establish Work Group and I/RG (i.e., Plenary) membership;
- Develop options for CBC funding;
- Draft CBC Charter;
- Stand up CBC by early fall 2021.

